

Appl. No. : 09/514,999
Filed : February 29, 2000

REMARKS

Please disregard the previous amendment because it has not been entered.

Claim 9 had been canceled without prejudice. Claim 10 has been amended in light of the Examiner's remarks about "for at least a time period of 0.1-24 hours" in the Advisory Action, although "0.1-24 hours" is not a new matter. Further, clarifying amendment has been additionally made to Claim 10. The remaining claims have been amended to depend on Claim 10, as a result of canceling Claim 9. Additionally, as the Examiner points out, "90~100°C" should have been "90-100°C" as indicated above. No new matter or no new issue has been presented. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application in view of the foregoing.

Should the Examiner have any remaining concerns which might prevent the prompt allowance of the application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number appearing below.

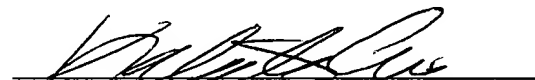
Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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